FRANK L. GREATHOUSE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: The Frank L. Greathouse Government Scholarship is available for award to two graduate or undergraduate students enrolled in full-time study preparing for a career in state and local government finance.

AMOUNT: $9,000 (for each award)

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: February 10, 2017

AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT: April 21, 2017

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:
- Currently a full-time student in an undergraduate or graduate accounting program preparing for a career in state and local government finance and expecting to be enrolled in the 2017 spring semester (including spring 2017 graduates. Undergraduate students must be in the process of completing at least their junior year by the time the scholarship is awarded.
- Citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada.
- Recommendation by your academic advisor or the accounting program chair.
- Student has not been a past winner of a scholarship program administered by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada.

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:
- Statement of proposed career plan in state and local government finance and proposed plan of graduate study, if applicable.
- Past academic record and work experience.
- Strength of past coursework and present plan of study, as it relates to a career in the public sector.
- Letters of recommendation by your academic advisor, chair of the accounting program, and others.
- Undergraduate and graduate grade point averages.

APPLICATION:
Applicants must submit the following documents for consideration by the scholarship selection committee:
- Application form.
- Statement of proposed career plan in state and local government finance and proposed plan of graduate study, if applicable.
- Undergraduate and graduate grade transcripts.
- Resume.
- Academic advisor’s or department chair’s letter of recommendation.
- Other letters of recommendation (optional).

All of the above items are to be submitted by the applicant’s academic advisor or accounting program chair in a single envelope, postmarked no later than February 10, 2017, to:

Government Finance Officers Association, Scholarship Committee,
203 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60601-1210

The Government Finance Officers Association’s Scholarship Committee will review all applications and make the awards if it determines that two candidates have met all of the criteria. Applicants will be notified in writing on or before April 21, 2017, of the committee’s final decision.

The winners, if selected, will be invited to attend the Government Finance Officers Association’s annual conference in Denver, Colorado May 21-24, 2017, where the awards will be presented. The winners will receive a complimentary annual conference registration and transportation costs to Denver. Hotel accommodations will be provided by GFOA. For additional information, e-mail Robert Kotchen at the Government Finance Officers Association, rkoktchen@gfoa.org, or call 312/977-9700.
Name _______________________________________________________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip Code ___________________________________________________________________

Telephone ____________________________________________________________________________

E-mail _______________________________________________________________________________

Country of Citizenship or Permanent Residence _____________________________________________

Undergraduate School(s):

  School and Location _________________________________________________________________

  Major/Minor ________________________________________________________________

  Degree Obtained and Date _______________________________________________________

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Overall Undergraduate Grade Point Average: _____________________________________________

Graduate School ________________________________________________________________

School’s Location ________________________________________________________________

Degree Sought ________________________________________________________________

Anticipated Date of Graduation _______________________________________________________ 

Graduate Grade Point Average: ________________________________________________________

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FORM TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT
List all of the accounting and government finance courses you have completed since you began your current program. For each course, record the grade you received, including the plus (+) or minus (-) grades.

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List all the accounting and government finance courses you plan to take to complete your course of study.

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List any major papers, internships, or work experiences you have completed or are working on that relate to your program or your state and local government finance career choice.

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Attach a statement (not to exceed two pages typed, double spaced) describing your proposed state and local government finance career plans and, if applicable, plan of graduate study. Be specific about the type of government career you plan to pursue and why you chose it. Also, describe any work experience, including internships and volunteer work on projects, relative to your state and local government finance career choice or graduate plan of study (if applicable).